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Sir:

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Copies of the International Search Report dated October 31, 2000 and the International Preliminary Examination Report dated September 21, 2001 are provided. Applicants also provide a copy of the item cited in the International Search Report.

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The examination and allowance of the Application are respectfully requested.

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